

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 through 22 and 24 are presented for examination in the present application upon entry of the instant preliminary amendment. Claims 1 through 22 are amended. Claim 23 is canceled. Claim 24 is added.

The specification was amended to include headings and a claim of priority. Both a marked and a clean version of a substitute specification are included. No new matter was included as a result of the amendments to the specification.

Claims 1 through 22 have been amended, and claim 24 has been added, to remove multiple dependencies, to improve claim language, and to conform claim language to U.S. patent practice.

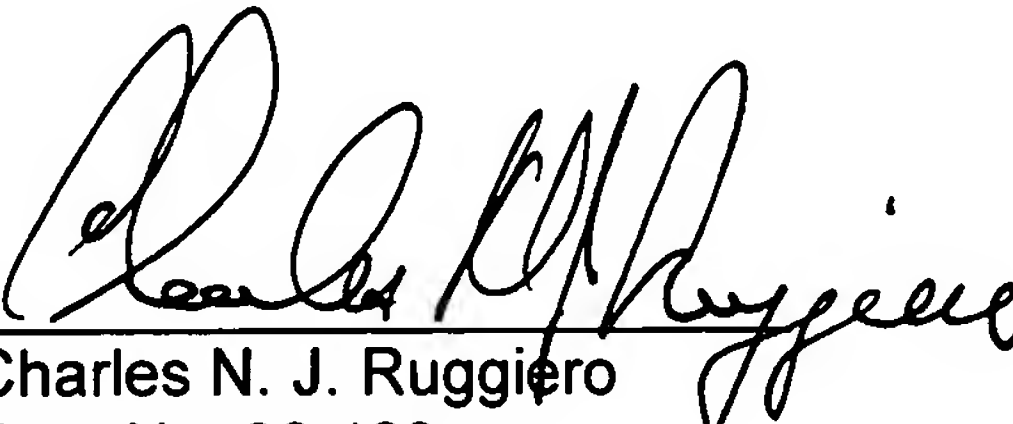
Applicants have not limited the scope of any feature in any claim. Thus, applicants respectfully submit that the doctrine of equivalents is available for all features of all of the claims.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and passage of this application to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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